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Summary

A CD-ROM has been produced from the illustrated dictionary Noms et lieux du Québec, published by the Commission de toponymie du Québec in 1994. It contains the origin of more than 6,000 place names and touches on history, geography, economics, and linguistics. The entries can be accessed through a traditional dictionary approach, as well as through 14 themes, including aboriginal peoples, aspects of winter, Christian religion, tourist attractions and superlatives. A map and colour photos contribute to the multimedia approach. The software permits the user to employ multiple search criteria, to copy portions of text, and to create lists of names. The report provides technical specifications of the CD-ROM, which can be used in either an Apple Macintosh or an IBM Windows environment.

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